

## HAWAIIAN BILLS IN LOWER BRANCH OF THE CONGRESS

**Committee Reports Favorably on Honolulu Fire Claims Bill—Cayless' Election Amendments Shelved—Coinage Redemption Bill Goes to the President.**

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE ADVERTISER.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.—The House Committee on Territories unanimously adopted a favorable report on the Hawaiian Fire Claims bill.

The Cayless election amendments were shelved.

The Coinage Redemption bill, having passed both houses, has gone to the President.

## DEATH OF MOLLIE BUSH

**Succumbs to Illness  
of Less Than  
Week.**

"Mollie" Bush is dead. Death claimed her last evening at her residence on Hotel street near Punch-bowl at about 8 o'clock, after an illness lasting only since Monday afternoon, when she caught a severe cold which settled on her lungs. She was compelled to take to her bed and she never rose from it. During the latter part of the week a complication of diseases set in, and her death was due principally to peritonitis. Dr. George Herbert attended.

The funeral will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from her late residence, and the interment will be in Makiki cemetery in the plot of her father, Hon. John E. Bush.

Mary Ann Kaipuala Bush was born in Honolulu 32 years ago, and was the daughter of Hon. John E. Bush and Mary Ann Bush. She spent much of her early youth in Kona, going to school and at St. Andrew's Priory in this city. She was a court lady during the reign of Queen Liliuokalani, her mother having been a court lady during the regime of Kalakaua. It was during the earlier reign that her father was minister of the Interior from 1881 to 1883, holding other government portfolios for short periods, notably that of Prime Minister. During the Premiership of Walter Murray Gibson Mr. Bush was sent to Samoa as minister plenipotentiary in the now famous Hawaiian gunboat Kaimiloa, and on this voyage Miss Bush accompanied him, remaining in Samoa for a period after he had returned to Honolulu.

Miss Bush was one of the best known Hawaiian women in the Islands.

## GOVERNOR DOLE HOME FROM HAWAII

Governor Dole returned yesterday from Hawaii, where he had a month's vacation. The outing in the mountains, spent in hunting, effected a great improvement in the Governor's health and he shows the beneficial effects of the jaunt.

Governor Dole stated that he had not come to any conclusion in regard to the Federal building site, and nothing will be done until after a conference with Superintendent Cooper and a careful investigation of the matters in hand.

The Governor also spent some time in the Waimea district, where he examined forestry conditions and needs with a view to recommending some plan for forestry reserves to the legislature.

Mrs. Dole returned with the Governor on the Kinai, and both are now at their Waikiki home.

### Waiting for Instructions.

"Has anything been done concerning the bringing of disbarment proceedings against the attorneys in the Sumner case?" Attorney General Dole was asked yesterday.

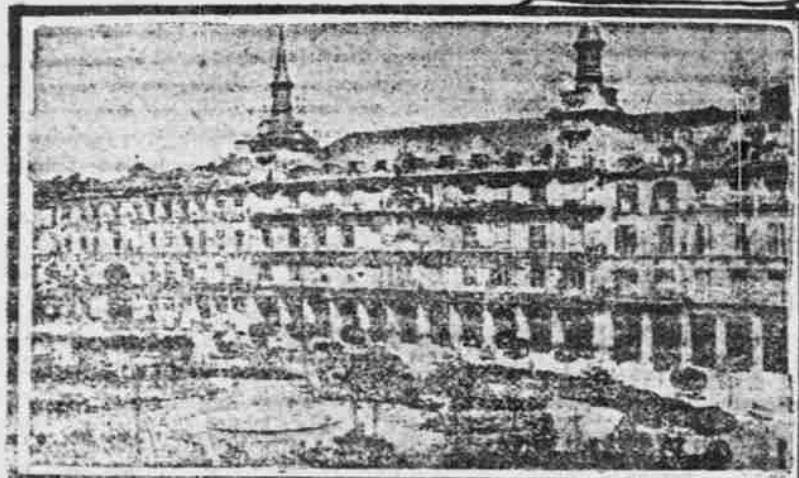
"The matter has not been officially called to my attention," was the reply.

## ASK MORE SALVAGE

**Fearless Wants \$15,000  
for Saving the  
Nevadan.**

Fifteen thousand dollars is the amount now asked by the tug Fearless for rescuing the Nevada from the dangers of the reef just outside the harbor where she went aground a short time ago. An amendment to the libel was filed yesterday morning in the United States Court in the case of J. D. Spreckels & Bros vs. Nevada, by which the amount of salvage asked is \$15,000, instead of \$5,000 originally claimed, and also alleging that the value of the vessel is \$400,000 instead of \$275,000, as first stated.

The amount of salvage is generally based upon the worth of the vessel saved and the danger she was in, and the filing of the amendments indicate that the owners of the tug will claim the full value of her services, instead of the amount said to have been agreed upon at the time of the disaster. The following is the amendment, filed yesterday: "Amendment to the libel of J. D. Spreckels & Brothers Company against the steamship Nevada, her tackle, apparel, furniture, engines, boilers, machinery, boats, appurtenances and cargo



laden on board said steamship, for salvage.

"First—Strike out the figures '\$275,000' in the third line of the eighth paragraph, and insert in lieu thereof '\$400,000.'"

"Second—Strike out the figures '\$5,000' in the fifth line of the ninth paragraph, and insert in lieu thereof '\$15,000.'"

## MAIL FOR HAWAII MAY BE LOST

The postoffice received a bulletin on the Coptic saying that a mail car on the New York and Chicago Railway postoffice train No. 3, leaving New York City at 8:46 a. m., December 21, was destroyed by fire near Peekskill about 9:45 a. m. and a large quantity of mail consumed.

The domestic mail consisted of second, third and fourth class matter that originated principally in the Eastern States and in New York City, and was destined to points in New York, the Western and Northwestern states, Canada, Alaska, Japan, Hawaii, and the Philippines.

The foreign mail consisted of all classes of mail, and was received from the steamship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse and was destined to points in New York, and the Western and Northwestern states, Canada, Pacific Islands, and trans-Pacific countries.

## CHAMPION BEATEN BY A NATIVE

**Connell a Wonder  
On Checker  
Board.**

**He Defeats Many Crack  
Players at Y. M.  
C. A.**

**Young Man Played Ten Games at  
Once and Won All  
But Two.**

A Hawaiian checker player was the only one of ten players of various nationalities who defeated Walter E. Connell, junior checker champion of Greater New York, at a simultaneous contest held last evening, in the Young Men's Christian Association hall. Upwards of a hundred spectators witnessed the novel game of one man playing against ten opponents, and their interest grew as the contest neared the end, especially as one after another of the players found himself defeated, and in some cases completely routed. The result of the contest was as follows:

Connell defeats eight men, draws with one, and is vanquished by one.

The crowd which gathered was somewhat startled and amused when Mr. Connell entered the hall in a hurry, being a quarter of an hour late, as instead of his being a typical giant, as they expected, they gazed upon a very boyish looking youth. The champion was

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## JOHN WISE AND PARTY ARRESTED

**Taken From Lanai  
By the Police  
Guard.**

**They Took Something  
to Eat and Broke  
the Law.**

**Colburn, Hayselden and Ashford  
Go to the Rescue by Last  
Night's Steamer.**

All because they had to eat, and consequently had to take the live stock wherewith to satisfy their appetites, John Wise and his supporters, who have been representing John F. Colburn and F. H. Hayselden, in holding the fort at the ranch house at Lanai, are now held under arrest at Lahaina on a charge of malicious injury. A relief expedition with Messrs. Colburn, Hayselden and Attorney Ashford, with others to reinforce the guards, left at midnight for Maui on receipt of telegraphic information. Their intention is to bail out the men to return them to their station at Lanai, and to provision them to withstand any siege that may be enforced by the minions of the law.

This latest turn of affairs in the drama of Lanai, came late yesterday afternoon, after arrangements had been made to send supplies and dis-

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## BIG STEEL WORKS CLOSE FOR LACK OF FURNACE COAL

**A National Convention Will Meet at Washington to Demand Immediate Relief—A Coal Famine Prevails in the Larger Cities. Stringency Is Serious.**

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 10.—The great steel works at Steelton have been closed because of the scarcity of coal. Several thousand men are out of work. A national convention has been called to meet at Washington to impress President Roosevelt with the need of immediate relief. The stringency is serious. A veritable coal famine prevails in the large cities.

### Admiral Melville Retired.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Rear Admiral Geo. W. Melville, chief engineer of the navy, has been retired for age. Admiral Melville was born in New York city January 10, 1841; was educated in the public schools in New York and at the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute; served an apprenticeship in an engineering establishment in Brooklyn; entered the United States navy July 29, 1861, as third assistant engineer; became chief engineer in 1881 and engineer-in-chief of the navy in 1887. In the latter position he has contributed largely to the building up of the new United States navy.

The most important of his designs as an engineer is that of the triple-screw machinery for two-shift cruisers. He has also developed a plan for increasing the speed of ships by lengthening the smokestacks. During the civil war he frequently volunteered for desperate service. In 1879 he joined the Jeannette arctic expedition. After the Jeannette was crushed in the ice and he had conveyed the crew of his own boat to a place of safety he conducted a search, amid the greatest hardships, for the crews of the other boats. The story of this experience is told in his book, "In the Lena Delta." For his heroic conduct in these circumstances Congress in 1890, passed a special act advancing him one grade.

### Mrs. Tingley Again Sues.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 10.—Mrs. Katherine Tingley, the theosophist leader at Point Loma, head of the School of Lost Mysteries, has filed an additional suit against the Los Angeles Times for \$75,000 damages, based on the Times' comments on the pending action for libel.

## CABLE REPORTS TO THE SATURDAY AFTERNOON PRESS

LONDON, Jan. 10.—A proposal has been made that China pay her indemnity to the Powers in silver. It has been rejected by the Powers.

CARACAS, Jan. 10.—The blockade by the Powers is cutting off the food supplies for this city. There is much suffering as a result, especially among the poor.

BERLIN, Jan. 10.—It is denied that Baron von Holleben, ambassador by Burrows. Other beet sugar states will join in the opposition unless the amendment is made.

OTTAWA, Jan. 10.—The Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company has applied to Parliament for permission to incorporate for the purpose of transacting business between Canada, Great Britain and other places. The application will beyond doubt be favorably acted upon by Parliament.

BERLIN, Jan. 10.—It is denied that Baron von Hollenben, ambassador to Washington, has been recalled. The Baron Speck von Sternberg, who comes to Washington as special minister to attend the settlement of the Venezuelan trouble, will be ambassador extraordinary, ranking von Holleben.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.—Senator Burrows of Michigan, representing the beet sugar interests, in conference with President Roosevelt today indicated that the Cuban treaty now pending in the Senate is objectionable to the interests he represents because it does not insure the stability of the tariff provided for any specified time. The Michigan Congressional delegation will oppose the ratification of the treaty unless it is amended to fix its duration for five years.

## SHOT FIRED AT A DUCAL FUNCTIONARY OF ALFONSO

MADRID, Jan. 10.—While King Alfonso was returning from church a man in the street fired a shot at the Royal procession. No one was injured. The man, whose name is Feito, was promptly arrested. He said he did not wish to kill the King, but the Duke of Sotomayor, His Majesty's chamberlain.



THE BOY KING OF SPAIN AND HIS MOTHER.